The Mill Wheel

Services, Business Cont'd

♦ BARBER SHOPS/HAIR SALONS/SPAS

Afterglo Salon & Spa

All About U Salon & Spa

Golden Scissor Barber Shop

Hair Cuttery

The Hair Snippery

Millville Barber Shop

Venus Nails

♦ ENTERTAINMENT

Clayton Theater (http://

www.theclaytontheatre.com/)

Dicken's Parlour Theatre (https:// www.dptmagic.com/)

♦ VARIOUS SERVICES & SHOPS

AT&T Authorized Retailer (302-537-9000)

Atlantic Auto Repair (302-829-1446)

Banks Wines & Spirits (302-537-8008)

Jacuzzi Hot Tubs Of Delaware (302-537-5525)

Law Office Of Susan Weidman (302-539-1388)

Lord's Landscaping (302-539-6119)

Mattress Warehouse (302-539-7524)

McAllister & Sons Custom Tileworks (302-539-

Michael McCarthy Stones (302-539-8056)

Miken Builders (302-537-4444)

Miller's Creek store (302-539-4513)

Millville Mini Storage (302-539-6556)

Millville Pet Stop (302-539-9382)

Moon Cleaners (302-539-6585)

MyEyeDr. (302-537-0234)

Patti's Hallmark Store (302-539-1115)

Petco (302-829-9010)

Reflections Antiques (302-537-2308)

Solutions Plus (302-539-6421)

The T-Shirt Guy (302-539-6170)

What is Call-Em-All?

Call-Em-All is a service the Town of Millville is using that provides on-demand automated voice broadcasting. Many of you have received messages regarding special events, storms, and other timely

Many industries including schools, temporary staffing agencies, and more use Call-Em-All to contact their members and employees. If you are not on our Call-Em-All list, and would like to be, please contact Matt in the office.

Famous Delawareans Who've Made a Difference!



Howard Pyle, illustrator & author, was born March 5, 1853, in Wilmington, DE. Pyle's work is best known to readers of the 1883 novel, The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood (of Great Renown in Nottinghamshire), which is still in print today and is most known for its illustrations of Robin Hood and his band of Merry Men, which has helped to shape the characters in children's literature since its publication. After 1900, Pyle founded his own school of art and illustration, named the Howard Pyle School of Illustra-

tion Art. His work on illustrating pirates in his books has influenced the design of costumes for movie pirates from Errol Flynn to Johnny Depp.

Pyle died on November 9, 1911, at the age of 58, in Florence, Italy.

LAUGH FILES

What is a pirate's favorite letter of the alphabet? The "C"!

Arrrgh!

If you rent your property, you need a Town Rental License. If you do business in town, you need a

Town Business License. If you are planning to build or renovate, you need a building permit.

Clean up after your dog during walks. If you have an EMERGENCY, dial 911!

"There are two ways of spreading the light: to be the candle or the mirror that

- Edith Wharton

reflects it."

NEW AMBULANCE SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE FOR THE TOWN

On December 13, 2016, the Town of Mill-

ville entered into a new agreement with the Millville Volunteer Fire Company (MVFC) so, as of this year's May 2017 mailing of Millville property taxes, the Town will be charging a new fee of \$35 to each property owner of improved property only. This fee is only for the new MVFC Ambulance subscription and will take over from the \$50 fee. Under the previous \$50 subscription, only paying property owners would be covered. However, under the new \$35 subscription service, ambulance coverage will be provided for the property owners, as well as any occupants, renters, and/or visitors on the premises. Regarding businesses, the agreement will cover on-site business owners, lessees, and employees of the business during business hours. The agreement will not, however, cover any patrons of the business unless they are covered as a resident. Upon receipt of your subscription payment, you will be covered until May 1 of the following year. If you do not pay the \$35 fee, you will not be covered and will be charged accordingly. Please note the property owner is solely responsible for paying the \$35 fee, and it is NOT to be paid by your mortgage company. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Town Hall.



THE TOWN OF MILLVILLE, DELAWARE

The Mill Wheel

http://www.millville.delaware.gov

Newsletter Date May 1, 2017

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2nd Tues @ 7 pm Workshops: 4th Tues @ 7pm

No Slowing Down for the EVER-GROWING TOWN OF MILLVILLE!

BY ROBERT GORDON, MAYOR

the Town of Millville, and it has been quite Company (MVFC). For those who don't know an active year! To start with, the Town's of the annual event, the Freeman Valor new municipal building addition is nearing Awards honor the outstanding police officcompletion, with three garage bays and two ers, paramedics, EMTs and firefighters who offices on the first level, as well as a train- help keep local communities safe yearing center and bunk rooms on the second round. The Town is lucky to have one of level. This building will help to serve as a these individuals serving on its Council! I stopping point for Delaware State Police know the Town's Council and staff are dedi-(DSP) when they are in the area or for any cated to the betterment of not just the emergency situations as well as provide a Town but the entire surrounding community! logistical space when needed for training and community outreach.

ground on its first, new park this late spring, and is already trying to reduce costs through applying for grants. Due to time constraints, the park will have to be built in three phases, but the first phase will include the playground and challenge course. The computergenerated mock-ups of the playground equipment for the park can be found on the next page! The Town is also looking to try and obtain holiday pole decorations to align the streets of Town, to help lighten up and give an extra dose of holiday spirit to -Atlantic Avenue! The best thing about the municipal building addition, the Town park and the holiday decorations is that the Town can afford these improvements without raising any taxes - a major accomplishment in and of itself!

I was proud to nominate Town Manager League of Local Government's (DLLG) Town Manager of the Year award, which she deservedly won out of the overall 57 other participating municipalities. In February, Deputy Mayor Steve Maneri received one of the 2017 Joshua M. Freeman Valor Awards for being one of the Firefighters of the Year for

It's been a year since I became Mayor of his service in the Millville Volunteer Fire

Maintaining the balance of growth and still keeping aspects of small-town communi-The Town is hoping to begin breaking ty is a tightrope to walk, but we believe it's important the Town do both, as growing is crucial for the livelihood of the community while keeping our small-town feel (which is what attracts most to move here) helps to more easily intermingle Town residents with those in neighboring towns, making everyone a crucial, unifying part toward building a stronger community. I thank you for being a valued part of that unification!

I continue to encourage residents - new and old — to attend Town Council meetings, which are free and open to the public, and occur on the second Tuesday of every month (unless otherwise posted on our Web site). If you cannot attend meetings, past meeting minutes, upcoming events and important Town news can be found on its Web site. If you can do neither, feel free to stop by or call Town Hall during business hours to dis-Debbie Botchie for the 2016 Delaware cuss any concerns you may have or ask any questions to the staff as we welcome any input from the residents.

> Town Population (Full-Time Residents): 544 (from 2010 census)

CODE & BUILDING OFFICIAL ERIC EVANS

What a year-and-a-half we have had here in the Code & Building Department! At Millville by the Sea, Sand Dollar Village is working toward turnover to the homeowners and Summerwind Village is built out with final walk through and paving scheduled for the Spring. They also have started new phases in Sea Star Village. Bishop's Landing has new phases starting too. Coventry is winding down with only a few lots remaining.

The new addition to Town Hall is 99% completed. Residents are welcome to stop in and take a look at this beautiful complex which will be used by the Delaware State Police.

The Town's fiscal year runs from May 1 to April 30. For the Fiscal Year 2017, the Town had issued 169 building permits. Let me try and break down all the activities for you so you can see the big picture of the amount of growth taking place here in Millville. Of the 169 building permits issued, 133 were for Single Family Homes and Townhouse units. This is an increase of almost 10%.

Here's the breakdown of permits issued by development:

- Bishop's Landing: 66
- Coventry: 6
- The Meadows: 2
- Millville by the Sea: 59

The difference in the building permits were for Commercial tenant fitouts, additions and various amenity buildings, fences and sheds. So, as you can see, the Town is growing at a pretty fast pace. I tell everyone that Millville is the fastest growing town in Sussex County, if not the State.

New this year: The placement of paver patios, fire boxes, or anything paver NOW REQUIRES a Town building permit. Due to all the patios being installed within the Town and the various installation methods, we will now begin inspecting the base and final application on payers to ensure they meet the Town's codes. Sheds, trash enclosures, gazebos and pergolas also require a permit. And, as always, check with Sussex County to see what its building permit requirements are.

Construction Reminders: Construction work is permitted Sept. 1 to May 15: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For May 16 to Aug. 31: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

No interior or exterior construction of buildings and dwellings shall take place on Sundays, or on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Nothing shall prevent any homeowner from working within his own property boundaries. provided that such work is done by the homeowner and members of his immediate family and the property is exclusively used by him and/or family.

BUILDING & CODE NOTES

- As of April of this year, the Town will now require any property owners wishing to lay down removable pavers (with or without concrete) to obtain a Town building permit.
- Anyone living in a community with a homeowners' association (HOA) must obtain an approval letter from their HOA AND a County building permit before applying for a Town building permit.
- Rental licenses are required for each rental unit you own. The gross rental receipt (GRR) is also required to be submitted for all rentals.

DOG CONTROL IN THE TOWN OF MILLVILLE





As the nice weather begins increasing with the arrival of spring, the Town understands this is a beach area and most people like to let their dogs run/walk free, without a leash; however, to keep the public, your animal, and other animals safe, the Town would like

to inform (and remind) its residents and visitors that the Town and State have a leash law in effect (per the Town Code's Chapter 41 since May 24, 2016) prohibiting dogs (no matter how old or docile) to roam "at large" without a leash. Since the Town of Millville does not have a police department nor an animal control office, if you wish to report a dog "at large" (i.e., any dog that is unrestrained and (1) on property open to the public; or (2) on private property not owned by the owner of the dog, unless a property owner has given permission for such presence), which is a violation of Town & State Code, please contact the Delaware Office of Animal Welfare's Delaware Animal Services (DAS), by either calling 302-255-4646, or by filling out an online violation complaint form found at https://animalservices.delaware.gov/services/ animal-control-and-cruelty/report-complaint.

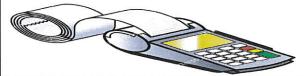
The DAS states on its website, provided at the link above, that if you are reporting an emergency, call the phone number, do not fill out the online form. If you have any further questions, you may contact either DAS or Town Hall.

MILLVILLE FY16 AUDIT RESULTS

From the TGM Group, the independent firm which performs the Town's annual audit:

"TGM Auditor Herb Geary stated at the Sept. 13, 2016, Town Council meeting, 'TGM gave the highest level of assurance the Group can give a local government. [T]he local governments measure the unassigned fund balance to total expenditures - that is a key ratio for any local government to compare each other with - and a normal, strong ratio is about twenty percent (20%), and the Town of Millville is two-hundred percent (200%); so the Town hit it out of the ballpark! ... [T]he actual revenues were over budget by \$511,000.00, and the Town's actual expenditures were under budget by \$48,000.00. ... [T]he Town is fiscally sound, and is a well-run organization."

Anyone interested in reviewing the Town's audit, may visit Town Hall during its business hours.

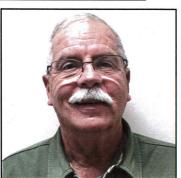


Meet Your Newest Council Members ...



VALERIE FADEN is a member of Town Council and its Secretary as of March 2016. She lives in the Villas of Cedar Cove, and comes to us from Pennsylvania! Faden is a Pennsylvania attorney who has served on professional and volunteer mediation boards and centers in Pennsylvania, including leadership groups, such as the board of Pennsylvania Council of Mediators and a Pennsylvania Joint-State Government Commission Task Force. She joined Millville's Board of Adjustment in July 2015. Environmental issues, including recycling, are close to Faden's heart. "I am going to try to do the best I can for the Town, to keep it a beautiful place to live," Faden said in an interview with the Coastal Point. "I definitely welcome any comments, concerns, suggestions about Millville from the folks who live here."

PETER MICHEL is the newest member of Town Council, being sworn in this past March 2017. Michel lives in Bishop's Landing, and comes from Virginia, where he retired after 35 years with the Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department, including 16 years as arson investigator. Mitchel also brings experience from Virginia, having served on the Englewood Mews Townhouse Association for three years and chairing their Committee on Architectural Review. Michel served as a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam from 1968 to 1971, earning two Purple Hearts. Most recently, Michel has been serving on the Bishop's Landing HOA, a position he recently left after joining Millville Town Council. "My belief is there are two sides to every story," Michel said. "And it's my



practice to listen to both sides and take them into account to make the best decisions for the Town."

RESOLUTION / ORDINANCE REVIEW

Resolution 16-03. A Resolution to Ratify and Amend the Personnel Policies of the Town of Millville. Adopted 01/12/2016 Resolution 16-04. A Resolution to Approve the Addition of a Restriction to the Deed to the Town's Parcel #134-12.00-395.00. Adopted 03/09/2016

Resolution 16-05. A Resolution Establishing a Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2017, Adopted 04/12/2016

Resolution 16-06. A Resolution to Hire Code & Building Assistant. Adopted 04/26/2016

Resolution 17-01. A Resolution to Amend Resolution 16-05. Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2017, as amended, entitled "Event License Fee: \$25.00 per Each Day of Event." Adopted 05/10/2016

Resolution 17-02. A Resolution to Authorizing Certain Change Orders. Adopted 06/14/2016

Resolution 17-03. A Resolution Regarding the Boundary of Millville by the Sea and of the Town of Millville. Adopted 06/14/2016

Resolution 17-04. A Resolution to Amend Resolution 17-01, a Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2017, as Amended, entitled "Deannexation Request." Adopted 11/08/2016

Resolution 17-05. A Resolution to Set an Urban Tree Canopy Goal for the Town of Millville. Adopted 03/14/2017

Fiscal Year 2018 (with building permit fee for removable pavers). Adopted 04/11/2017

Ordinance 16-03. Amendment to the Town of Millville Code at ment § 155-58 Special Exceptions. Adopted 12/08/2015

Ordinance 16-04. Amendment to the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 33 entitled "Planning and Zoning Commission." Adopted 12/08/2015

Ordinance 16-05. Never used.

Ordinance 16-06. Amendment to the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 155, Article IX "Sign Regulations" Relating to Signs. Adopted 04/12/2016

Ordinance 17-01. Amendment to the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 90 entitled "Licenses," § 90-11 License fees and taxes; and § 90-12 Conditions attached to license; revocation of breach of condition; notice and hearing. Adopted 05/10/2016

Ordinance 17-02. Amendment to the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 155, Article VII, § 155-16, to add regulations regarding Wireless Communications Facilities. Adopted 06/14/2016

Ordinance 17-03. Ordinance Creating a New Chapter for Animals and Regulating the Control of Dogs in the Town of Millville. Adopted 05/24/2016

Ordinance 17-04. Ordinance to amend the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 155, Article IX "Sign Regulations" relating to signs. Adopted 11/08/2016

Ordinance 17-05. Ordinance to amend the Millville Town Code relating to Chapter 54, entitled "Dangerous Buildings," and Chapter 111, entitled "Property Maintenance," and will adopt the International Property Maintenance Code. Adopted 02/15/2017

Ordinance 17-06. Ordinance to amend the Town of Millville Code at Chapter 155 Zoning, Article VI, entitled "District Regulations," at § 155-10 R - Residential District. This ordinance will Resolution 17-09. A Resolution Establishing a Fee Schedule for amend lot frontage, lot area, and front yard setbacks. Adopted

NOTE: The above ordinances and/or resolutions are available for review at the Town Hall, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. Chapter 155 relating to Zoning at Article XI Board of Adjust- to 4:00 p.m. Approved ordinances and resolutions will soon be accessible for viewing on the Town's Web site.



Here is a rendering of the Town of Millville's park property, at just under 5 acres, with its projected phases as well as the amenities the Town plans on installing. As referenced in Phase I (colored blue), the parking lot, the playgrounds, the swingset, the Challenge Course, a 40-yard dash, an open plaza, and a maintenance building with outside access restrooms will be the first amenities installed and will be ready for public use. Phase II (colored red/pink) will include the community/ recreation building. The last phase, Phase III (colored orange), will include three pickleball courts, a 1/6 mile walking trail with four fitness stations along its path, as well as a pavilion, which the Town plans on using for future events such as concerts and movies. The Town was able to utilize a \$200,000.00 state grant as a reimbursement towards the purchase of the land, as well as receiving a \$787.50 grant from the Delaware Forest Service for tree acquisition/planting, and we are looking into applying for a grant for the construction of the community/recreation building. The Town hopes to begin breaking ground for Phase I in late spring/early summer. If you have any questions regarding the park, please contact Town Hall.

Local Services, Businesses & Restaurants

Trash/Recycle Collection

The Town does not have trash services; however, there are a number of trash collection services available:

Allied Waste (Republic Services): 800-762-8888

Blue Hen Disposal: 302-945-9664

Chesapeake Waste Removal: 410-742-4400

First State Disposal: 302-644-3885

Peninsula Trash & Recycling: 302-990-8533

Waste Management: 888-588-3611

Water Providers

Artesian Water: 302-645-7751

Sussex Shores Water Co.: 302-539-7611

Tidewater Utilities: 302-945-8880

Sewer

Sussex County: 302-855-7871

Roads/Street Signs

Delaware Dept. of Transportation (DelDOT): 302-732-5489

Local Services

♦ CHURCHES

Beacon Baptist:

www.thebeaconbaptistchurch.com/

Millville United Methodist Church: millvillemethodistchurch.org/

Mariner's Bethel United Methodist Church (Ocean View): www.marinersbethel.org/

St. Ann's Catholic Church (Bethany Beach): www.stannbb.org/

Our Lady of Guadalupe Roman Catholic Church (Frankford): discovermass.com/church/ our-lady-of-guadalupe-frankford-de/

♦ DMV

Delaware Dept. of Motor Vehicles-Georgetown (www.dmv.de.gov/)

♦ Schools

Lord Baltimore Elementary School (Ocean View): www.edline.net/pages/Lord_Baltimore_ES

Selbyville Middle School (Selbyville): www.edline.net/ 302-539-5231 pages/Selbyville_Middle_School

Indian River High School (Dagsboro): www.edline.net/pages/Indian_River_High_School

Southern Delaware School of the Arts (Selbyville): www.edline.net/pages/SDSA

♦ RESTAURANTS & GOODIES

Bonkey's Ice Cream & Snowball

(www.bonkeys.com/)

The Café on 26 (www.thecafeon26.com/)

Casapulla's Subs & Pizza (www.alcasapullas.com/)

Delaware Provision Company South (www.delawareprovisioncoinc.com/)

Fox's Pizza Den (www.foxspizzade.com/)

Fractured Prune (302-537-7303)

Hooked Up Ale House & Raw Bar

(www.hookeduprawbar.com/)

Hunan Royale Restaurant (302-537-8168)

Mac's Catering (www.caterbymacs.com/)

Perucci's (www.peruccis.com/)

Steamers Crab & Seafood Co.

(www.steamerscrabs.com/)

Subway sandwich shop (302-537-1900)

Taco Taco (www.tacotaco.us/)

La Tonalteca (authenticmex.com/restaurant/latonalteca/millville)

♦ CABLE/TV SERVICES

Mediacom (mediacomcable.com/)

DIRECTV (www.directv.com/)

DISH Network (www.dish.com/)

POST OFFICE

Ocean View-Millville-Clarksville Post Office

(www.uspspostoffices.com/de/ocean-view/ocean-view) 302-539-9466

♦ LIBRARY

South Coastal Library (Bethany Beach): southcoastal.lib.de.us

♦ BETHANY-FENWICK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

www.bethany-fenwick.org/

♦ BANKS

Artisans' Bank

County Bank

First Shore Federal

M & T Bank

PNC Bank (in Giant Food store)

Wells Fargo Bank

♦ GROCERY & PHARMACY

Dollar General

Giant Food

Hocker's Super Center (Clarksville)

Rite Aid

Walgreen's (Clarksville)

Weis Foods

♦ HEALTH & FITNESS

Aquacare Physical Therapy

Beach Shore Fitness For Chickies

Beachview Chiropractic Center

Beachview Health Associates

Beebe Imaging

Beebe Walk-In Clinic

Coastal Kid Watch Pediatrics

Custom Fit 360

Quest Diagnostics

Seaside Gastroenterology

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These are the tentative mock-ups for the playground equipment (all ADA compliant) to be used in the Town's first, new park, soon to be breaking ground this spring/summer! The top two photos are of the playground for ages 5 to 12, featuring a whale climber. five slides, a lighthouse tower and a web climber! The next two photos are the playground for ages 2 to 5, featuring a boat teeter -totter, three slides, and a mini-movement activity station! The following two photos are of the Challenge Course, which is an obstacle course also used by the NFL, and can be electronically timed via a timer app so you can race other people, who have access to the same course, around the country. The photo to the left is an overall look at the entire playground. Please note these are computer renderings and are subject to change. For bigger versions of these photos, please visit our website.